



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 828**

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**Chairperson:** Brad Ashford  
**Committee:** Judiciary  
**Date of Hearing:** February 6, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 828 removes language from statute that limits jurisdiction for most agency appeals to the District Court in Lancaster County. With the language removed, the appeals will be filed in the district court of the county where the agency action is taken.

Appeals of agency decisions account for a significant portion of the case load of the District Court in Lancaster County. The Lancaster County Court received 257 and 227 administrative appeals cases in 2006 and 2007, respectively.

The court is overburdened and has repeatedly asked the Legislature to add an additional judgeship to the District Court of the Third Judicial District. This bill presents an alternative solution to adding a judgeship by decreasing the number of cases that get filed in the Lancaster County District Court.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Brad Ashford**